## **Medical Assistant**

WISCONSIN—
YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP

Youth Apprenticeship

#### **MEDICAL ASSISTANT**

Medical assistant youth apprentices are oriented to both the administrative and clinical duties of a physician's office from general office procedures to the technical phases of examining room assisting and elementary medical laboratory techniques.

Length of Apprenticeship: One year

#### **REQUIRED COMPETENCIES**

Youth apprentices must become proficient in both general employability and occupation specific competencies. All of these, and examples of how each can be demonstrated, are found in the following pages. A total of 14 occupational competencies must be learned for this occupation. Employers may substitute out one of these and should write in the competency they are adding. Youth apprentices must be evaluated on these competencies at least two times each year of their apprenticeship.

#### **Occupational Competencies**

- 1. Apply infection prevention controls
- 2. Apply standard precautions
- 3. Respond to patient inquiries professionally
- 4. Schedule patient appointments using electronic and/or paper-based systems
- 5. Maintain the patient record
- 6. Perform administrative tasks
- 7. Set up area for exam/procedures
- 8. Room patient
- 9. Maintain inventory
- 10. Clean and prepare supplies and instruments
- 11. Instruct patients in collection of specimens
- 12. Assist in performing testing
- 13. Obtain vital signs
- 14. Assist physician with patient care for routine examinations

#### REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP BRIDGING OPPORTUNITIES

The following Registered Apprenticeship is available in this area:

Medical Assistant

#### POST-SECONDARY PATHWAY OPPORTUNITIES

There are several post-secondary pathway opportunities in this area. The following is a partial list.

- Medical Assistant
- Medical Coding
- Nursing



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## ON-THE-JOB LEARNING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS GUIDE

#### YOUTH APPRENTICE INFORMATION

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Youth Apprentice Name	
YA Coordinator	
YA Consortium	
School District	
SIGNATURES	
The On-the-Job Learning Performance Standa	rds Guide includes a list of competencies youth
apprentices learn through mentoring and train	·
should be reviewed with the employer/mento the youth apprentice to record progress and p competencies. Mentors, school-based/YA coo	-
	ployer/Mentor
1st Evaluation (Required) Employer/Mentor Signature	2 <sup>nd</sup> Evaluation (Required)  Employer/Mentor Signature
Employer/Mentor	Employer/Mentor
Business/Company	Business/Company
Date Signed	Date Signed
3 <sup>rd</sup> Evaluation (Optional)	4th Evaluation (Optional)
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Business/Company	Business/Company
Date Signed	Date Signed

# **School-Based and/or YA Coordinator**

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Evaluation (Required)

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Evaluation (Required)

School-Based and/or YA Coordinator Signature	School-Based and/or YA Coordinator Signature
School-Based and/or YA Coordinator	School-Based and/or YA Coordinator
School District or Organization	School District or Organization
Date Signed	Date Signed

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Evaluation (Optional)

#### 4th Evaluation (Optional)

School-Based and/or YA Coordinator Signature	School-Based and/or YA Coordinator Signature
School-Based and/or YA Coordinator	School-Based and/or YA Coordinator
School District or Organization	School District or Organization
Date Signed	Date Signed

## **Youth Apprentice**

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Evaluation (Required)

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Evaluation (Required)

Youth Apprentice Signature	Youth Apprentice Signature
Youth Apprentice	Youth Apprentice
School District / High School	School District / High School
Date Signed	Date Signed

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Evaluation (Optional)

#### 4th Evaluation (Optional)

Youth Apprentice Signature	Youth Apprentice Signature
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## EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS (TO BE COMPLETED BY YA EMPLOYER/MENTOR)

All youth apprentices must demonstrate the key employability skills listed below in order to complete the YA program. They do so by earning at least a "Meets Expectation" rating in each. **At least two evaluations are required each year of a youth apprenticeship**. More columns are included below for those who choose to conduct more frequent reviews.

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3	Exceeds Expectations: Exceeds entry-level criteria; requires minimal supervision; consistently
	displays this behavior

	Employability Skills		Ra	ting	
	Competency and Rating Criteria	Minim	num Ratir Check	ng of 2 fo Rating	r EACH
Co	mpetency and Rating Criteria	Initial	Mid Year 1	Mid Year 2	Final
1.	Develops positive work relationships with others.  Examples of qualities and habits that the employee might exhibit include  Interacts with others with respect and in a non-judgmental manner  Responds to others in an appropriate and non-offensive manner  Helps co-workers and peers accomplish tasks or goals  Applies problem-solving strategies to improve relations with others  When managing others, shows traits such as compassion, listening, coaching, team development, and appreciation	☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3	☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3	☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3	□ 1 □ 2 □ 3
2.	<ul> <li>Communicates effectively with others</li> <li>Examples of qualities and habits that the employee might exhibit include</li> <li>Adjusts the communication approach for the target audience, purpose, and situation to maximize impact</li> <li>Organizes messages/information in a logical and helpful manner</li> <li>Speaks clearly and writes legibly</li> <li>Models behaviors to show active listening</li> <li>Applies what was read to actual practice</li> <li>Asks appropriate questions for clarity</li> </ul>	☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3	☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3	☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3	☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3
3.	<ul> <li>Collaborates with others</li> <li>Examples of qualities and habits that the employee might exhibit include</li> <li>Works effectively in teams with people of diverse backgrounds regardless of sex, race, ethnicity, nationality, sexuality, religion, political views, and abilities</li> <li>Shares responsibility for collaborative work and decision making</li> <li>Uses the problem-solving process to work through differences of opinion in a constructive manner to achieve a reasonable compromise</li> <li>Avoids contributing to an unproductive group conflict</li> <li>Shares information and carries out responsibilities in a timely manner</li> </ul>	☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3	☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3	☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3	☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3

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Competency and Bating Criteria	Initial	Mid	Mid	Final
Competency and Rating Criteria		Year 1	Year 2	
<ul> <li>4. Maintains composure under pressure  Examples of qualities and habits that the employee might exhibit include</li> <li>Uses critical thinking to determine the best options or outcomes when faced with a challenging situation</li> <li>Carries out assigned duties while under pressure</li> <li>Acts in a respectful, professional, and non-offensive manner while under pressure</li> <li>Applies stress management techniques to cope under pressure</li> </ul>	☐ 1	☐ 1	☐ 1	☐ 1
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	☐ 3	☐ 3	☐ 3	☐ 3
<ul> <li>Demonstrates integrity         <ul> <li>Examples of qualities and habits that the employee might exhibit include</li> <li>Carries out responsibilities in an ethical, legal and confidential manner</li> <li>Responds to situations in a timely manner</li> <li>Takes personal responsibility to correct problems</li> <li>Models behaviors that demonstrate self-discipline, reliability, and dependability</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	☐ 1	□1	□ 1	□1
	☐ 2	□2	□ 2	□2
	☐ 3	□3	□ 3	□3
<ul> <li>6. Performs quality work         Examples of qualities and habits that the employee might exhibit include</li> <li>Carries out written and verbal directions accurately</li> <li>Completes work efficiently and effectively</li> <li>Performs calculations accurately</li> <li>Conserves resources, supplies, and materials to minimize costs and environmental impact</li> <li>Uses equipment, technology, and work strategies to improve workflow</li> <li>Applies problem-solving strategies to improve productivity</li> <li>Adheres to worksite regulations and practices</li> <li>Maintains an organized work area</li> </ul>	☐ 1	☐ 1	☐ 1	☐ 1
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	☐ 3	☐ 3	☐ 3	☐ 3
<ul> <li>Provides quality goods or services (internal and external)         Examples of qualities and habits that the employee might exhibit include         <ul> <li>Shows support for the organizational goals and principles by own personal actions</li> <li>Displays a respectful and professional image to customers</li> <li>Displays an enthusiastic attitude and desire to take care of customer needs</li> <li>Seeks out ways to increase customer satisfaction</li> </ul> </li> <li>Produces goods to workplace specifications</li> </ul>	☐ 1	□ 1	☐ 1	☐ 1
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	☐ 3	□ 3	☐ 3	☐ 3
<ul> <li>8. Shows initiative and self-direction  Examples of qualities and habits that the employee might exhibit include</li> <li>Prioritizes and carries out responsibilities without being told</li> <li>Responds with enthusiasm and flexibility to handle tasks that need immediate attention</li> <li>Reflects on any unsatisfactory outcome as an opportunity to learn</li> <li>Improves personal performance by doing something different or differently</li> <li>Analyzes how own actions impact the overall organization</li> <li>Supports own action with sound reasoning and principles</li> <li>Balances personal activities to minimize interference with work responsibilities</li> </ul>	☐ 1	☐ 1	☐ 1	☐ 1
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<ul> <li>9. Adapts to change         Examples of qualities and habits that the employee might exhibit include</li> <li>Shows flexibility and willingness to learn new skills for various job roles</li> <li>Uses problem-solving and critical-thinking skills to cope with changing circumstances</li> <li>Modifies own work behavior based on feedback, unsatisfactory outcomes, efficiency, and effectiveness</li> <li>Displays a "can do" attitude</li> </ul>	☐ 1	☐ 1	☐ 1	□1
	☐ 2	☐ 2	☐ 2	□2
	☐ 3	☐ 3	☐ 3	□3
<ul> <li>10. Demonstrates safety and security regulations and practices         Examples of qualities and habits that the employee might exhibit include</li> <li>Follows personal safety requirements</li> <li>Maintains a safe work environment</li> <li>Demonstrates professional role in an emergency</li> <li>Follows security procedures</li> <li>Maintains confidentiality</li> </ul>	☐ 1	☐ 1	□ 1	□1
	☐ 2	☐ 2	□ 2	□2
	☐ 3	☐ 3	□ 3	□3
<ul> <li>11. Applies job-related technology, information, and media  Examples of qualities and habits that the employee might exhibit include</li> <li>Applies technology effectively in the workplace</li> <li>Assesses and evaluates information on the job</li> <li>Assesses training manuals, website, and other media related to the job</li> </ul>	☐ 1	☐ 1	☐ 1	□1
	☐ 2	☐ 2	☐ 2	□2
	☐ 3	☐ 3	☐ 3	□3
<ul> <li>12. Fulfills training or certification requirements for employment         Examples of this requirement may include</li> <li>Participation in required career-related training and/or educational programs</li> <li>Passing certification tests to qualify for licensure and/or certification</li> <li>Participation in company training or orientation</li> </ul>	☐ 1	☐ 1	☐ 1	☐ 1
	☐ 2	☐ 2	☐ 2	☐ 2
	☐ 3	☐ 3	☐ 3	☐ 3
<ul> <li>13. Sets personal goals for improvement</li></ul>	☐ 1	□1	□1	□1
	☐ 2	□2	□2	□2
	☐ 3	□3	□3	□3

# OCCUPATIONAL COMPETENCIES (TO BE COMPLETED BY YA EMPLOYER/MENTORS)

Youth apprentices must earn a rating of at least "MEETS EXPECTATIONS" in each competency by the conclusion of the apprenticeship. A total of 14 competencies, 13 must be from the list below. If necessary, employers can substitute one competency with another occupationally appropriate skill. That skill should be added to the competency list for assessment. At least two evaluations are required each year of a youth apprenticeship. More columns are included below for those who choose to conduct more frequent reviews.

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Occupational Competencies		Rat	ing		
Competency and Rating Criteria		Year 1 Evaluation Minimum Rating of 2 for EACH Check Rating			
	Initial	Mid Year 1	Mid Year 2	Final	
<ul> <li>Apply infection prevention controls</li> <li>select personal protective equipment (PPE)</li> <li>put on and dispose of PPE properly</li> <li>perform hand hygiene</li> <li>handle needles and sharp devices safely to prevent injury</li> <li>clean and disinfect areas and equipment</li> <li>handle linens and all equipment to minimize the spread of infection</li> <li>follow isolation procedures when needed</li> <li>dispose of bio-hazardous materials safely</li> </ul>	□1	☐ 1	□ 1	☐ 1	
	□2	☐ 2	□ 2	☐ 2	
	□3	☐ 3	□ 3	☐ 3	
<ul> <li>Apply standard precautions</li> <li>identify emergency situations</li> <li>contact emergency care or designate someone to get help</li> <li>assist in giving immediate care to the injured patient</li> <li>apply principles of patient safety and proper body mechanics</li> <li>document as necessary</li> </ul>	□ 1	☐ 1	□ 1	☐ 1	
	□ 2	☐ 2	□ 2	☐ 2	
	□ 3	☐ 3	□ 3	☐ 3	
<ul> <li>Respond to patient inquiries professionally</li> <li>answer the phone professionally</li> <li>use proper techniques for courtesy, attitude, and quality of voice</li> <li>record accurate messages</li> <li>use electronic communications with patients with professional boundaries</li> <li>use paper communications with patients with professional boundaries</li> </ul>	□1	☐ 1	☐ 1	☐ 1	
	□2	☐ 2	☐ 2	☐ 2	
	□3	☐ 3	☐ 3	☐ 3	

Occupational Competencies		Rat	ing	
Competency and Rating Criteria	Year 1 Evaluation Minimum Rating of 2 for EACH Check Rating		EACH	
	Initial	Mid Year 1	Mid Year 2	Final
<ul> <li>4. Schedule patient appointments using electronic and/or paper-based systems</li> <li>greet patient</li> <li>input patient data</li> <li>display sensitivity to patient information</li> <li>enter appointment and other required information</li> <li>document scheduling changes</li> <li>manage appointment reminders</li> <li>enter appointment results: late, no show, rescheduled, cancelled, etc.</li> </ul>	☐ 1	☐ 1	□ 1	□ 1
	☐ 2	☐ 2	□ 2	□ 2
	☐ 3	☐ 3	□ 3	□ 3
<ul> <li>Maintain the patient record</li> <li>ensure patient privacy and comply with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) requirements</li> <li>verify the patient's current address, and phone number</li> <li>confirm accuracy of information</li> <li>use two-step identifiers to verify patient identity</li> </ul>	□ 1	☐ 1	□1	□1
	□ 2	☐ 2	□2	□2
	□ 3	☐ 3	□3	□3
<ul> <li>6. Perform administrative tasks</li> <li>prepare forms</li> <li>prepare requested patient documentation</li> <li>prepare letters</li> </ul>	☐ 1	☐ 1	☐ 1	☐ 1
	☐ 2	☐ 2	☐ 2	☐ 2
	☐ 3	☐ 3	☐ 3	☐ 3
<ul> <li>7. Set up area for exam/procedures</li> <li>verify procedure to be performed</li> <li>consult procedure protocol for safety and setup requirements</li> <li>gather the equipment and supplies</li> <li>ensure the cleanliness of the procedure equipment and area/room</li> <li>check the equipment for malfunction or damage</li> <li>confirm solutions and supplies are correct and not expired</li> <li>arrange the equipment and supplies in the order in which they will be used</li> </ul>	☐ 1	☐ 1	☐ 1	☐ 1
	☐ 2	☐ 2	☐ 2	☐ 2
	☐ 3	☐ 3	☐ 3	☐ 3
<ul> <li>8. Room patient</li> <li>verify patient</li> <li>introduce self</li> <li>show patient to room</li> <li>provide privacy for the patient</li> <li>record reason for visit</li> <li>prepare patient for visit</li> </ul>	□ 1	□1	□ 1	□1
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Competency and Rating Criteria		Mid	T T		
	Initial	Year 1	Mid Year 2	Final	
9. Maintain inventory	<b>□1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>□1</b>	
unpack orders		 2	 2	 □ 2	
stock exam rooms, etc.		☐ <b>3</b>	□ <del>-</del>	□ -	
watch for expiration dates	🗀 🤊	🗆 🤊	🗆 🤊		
apply first in/first out to stock					
10. Clean and prepare supplies and instruments	<b>□</b> 1	<b>□</b> 1	<b>□</b> 1	<b>□</b> 1	
rinse with appropriate solvent				 2	
clean items to remove residual matter					
perform sterilization procedures				<b>,</b>	
prepare items for autoclaving					
dry items					
place items in sterilization pouches					
document results					
11. Instruct patients in collection of specimens	<b>□</b> 1	<b>□</b> 1	<b>□</b> 1	<b>□1</b>	
explain instructions for specimen collection in plain language		☐	☐	□ <u>-</u> 2	
<ul> <li>respond to patient questions accurately within scope of their job role</li> </ul>				□ 2	
OR refer to worksite professional	🗀 🍮	🗀 🍮	🗀 🌣	3	
<ul> <li>collect specimen noting patient safety and standard precautions</li> </ul>					
label specimen accurately					
complete documents for collecting specimen					
12. Assist in performing testing	<b>□</b> 1	<b>□</b> 1	<b>□</b> 1	<b>□</b> 1	
<ul> <li>locate and identify the specimen to be tested</li> </ul>	<u> </u>			 2	
<ul> <li>select the correct equipment and supplies</li> </ul>			□ - □ 3	□- □3	
<ul> <li>verify counts, measurements, and color reactions</li> </ul>					
document testing					
clean supplies and instruments					
dispose of contaminated materials					
13. Obtain vital signs	<b>□1</b>	<b>□</b> 1	<b>□</b> 1	<b>□1</b>	
take temperature		│	☐ <b>2</b>		
take blood pressure				☐3	
measure height					
measure weight					
perform pulse oximetry					
document patient results					
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Occupational Competencies	Rating			
	Year 1 Evaluation Minimum Rating of 2 for EACH Check Rating			
Competency and Rating Criteria				
	Initial	Mid Year 1	Mid Year 2	Final
14. Assist physician with patient care for routine examinations	□ 1	□ 1	□ 1	□ 1
prepare examination and treatment area	□ 2	□ 2	□ 2	□ 2
position patient in several positions	□3	□ 3	□ 3	☐ 3
assist in performing pre-exam procedures				
use proper body mechanics				
Competency Substitute (if you replaced a competency above, note the	<b>□</b> 1	<b>□</b> 1	<b>□</b> 1	<b>□1</b>
competency and rating)			 2	 □ 2
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